Global Council Meeting Minutes
HSS 153, 2/19/15, 11:37am-12:08pm

Council Members Present
Eric Minzenberg, Co-Chair
Jose Cue, Co-Chair
Bonita Cooper
Gordon Dossett
Liz Koenig

Council Members Excused
Kelley Brayton, Vice Chair
Nancy Grass Hemmert

Council Members Absent
Toni Trives
Catherine Weir

Others Present/Interested Parties
Roman Ferede
Marlea Welton

I. Call To Order:
The meeting was called to order at 11:37 am.

II. Public Comments:
None.

III. Approval of Minutes:
Jose Cue motions; Gordon Dossett seconds; minutes from 12/11/14 meeting unanimously approved, no objections or abstentions.

IV. Announcements/Updates/Action Items:

Dr. Tsang “Culture of Peace” lecture
- Dr. Tsang will give a lecture February 21 at 4 pm at the Pacific Peace Center in Santa Monica.
- SMC faculty member Marlea Welton was instrumental in organizing this lecture.

Fulbright Resolution
- Will try to put on the agenda for the Executive AS meeting on February 24.
- Gordon Dossett (and maybe Toni Trives) will present the resolution to Exec.
International Students

- A recognized and on-going dilemma is how to engage and attract international students into global citizenship on campus.
- Jose Cue suggested the Global Council research what other colleges/universities strategies and programs are. He also suggested SMC conduct a survey of international students to gauge their interests and concerns.
- Liz Koenig mentioned a program in ESL of pairing an international student with a American student who is studying the foreign language of that particular student as means of interaction between international and national students. Matthew Stivener is the coordinator of this program in ESL at SMC.
- Liz suggested that this model may be adapted for other disciplines on campus (e.g. history, communication and media studies, sociology, philosophy etc.)
- Eric Minzenberg mentioned that the Office of International Education has programs throughout the year to attempt to integrate international with US national students.
- Several GC members remarked how often international students have developed relationships with other international students from countries other than their own, but the international – US national student connection is lacking.

Study Abroad Resolution

- Gordon Dossett suggested the Global Council formulate a resolution that designates the appropriate timing on study abroad program options and advertisements of offerings for both faculty and students.
- Timelines should be established so that faculty, staff and students are informed well in advance the necessary dates for application, selection, and payment for study abroad programs.

Meeting adjourned at 12:08 pm.